

AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA TO ESTABLISH DAYLIGHT- SAVING TIME IN THE DISTRICT

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Mr. PASTORE, from the Committee on the District of Columbia,
submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany S. 944]

The Committee on the District of Columbia, to whom was referred the bill (S. 944) to authorize the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia to establish daylight-saving time in the District, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

The purpose of this bill is to authorize the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia to establish daylight-saving time in the District. On April 5, 1950, the Board of Commissioners caused a poll to be taken of the citizens of the District with respect to daylight-saving time. This was conducted by the officers and members of the Metropolitan Police force, and, of a total of 143,583 polled, 65 percent were in favor, 23 percent were opposed, and 12 percent did not care.

During the past war, daylight-saving time was in effect on a national basis, under authority of the National Security Act, which included the District of Columbia. Since 1947, however, legislation has been enacted each year to give daylight-saving time to the District of Columbia. Enactment of this bill would obviate the necessity for legislating from year to year on the subject. The provisions of this bill are not mandatory, but give the Board of Commissioners necessary authority.

The bill was favorably reported by a unanimous vote of the committee.

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